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JOINT AND DEVISING TREATMENT**

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Applicants submit this request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 for the above-identified application.

[X] Please consider the following submission(s) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

[X] The enclosed amendment dated June 24, 2003, is being filed prior to payment of the issue fee.

[X] Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08, copies of 22 cited references

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Total Claims	168	- 33 =	135	x \$18.00	\$2430
Independent Claims	13	- 5 =	8	x \$84.00	\$672
Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$280.00					
Total Amendment Fee					\$3102
Continued Examination Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) of \$750.00					\$750
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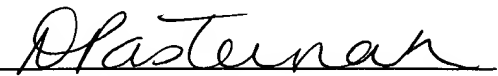
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